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THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE COUNCIL

October 14, 1958

The Honorable Allen W. Dulles  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
2430 E Street, N. W.  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

At the September 24th meeting of the National Aeronautics and Space Council it was decided that an intelligence briefing on Soviet space activities would be helpful to the Council in formulating policies and plans for U. S. space activities. Accordingly, at the request of the President, I am writing to invite you to brief the Council at its next meeting which is tentatively scheduled for October 28 at 9:00 A.M. in the Cabinet Room of the White House.

I would appreciate knowing if these arrangements are satisfactory to you. Additionally, I would like to request guidance from your office with regard to clearance requirements necessary for those attending the meeting.

A tentative agenda and a list of Council members are enclosed for your information. Please let me know if there is any other way that I may be helpful.

Sincerely,

*Robert O. Piland*  
Robert O. Piland  
Acting Secretary

Enclosures:

- 1- Tentative Agenda
- 2- NASC Membership List

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THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE COUNCIL

TENTATIVE AGENDA

11:00 29  
9:00 A. M., October 29, 1958  
The Cabinet Room, The White House

✓ 1. USSR Space Activities - Briefing by Director, CIA.

2. Civilian-Military Liaison Committee.

Terms of Reference for the Committee, prepared jointly by NASA and Defense, will be considered. Administrator, NASA, and Secretary of Defense will comment on terms of reference. Paper will be circulated prior to meeting.

3. International Cooperation in Space Activities - State Department. 6C5

To be determined.

4. Man-in-Space - Briefing by Representative, NASA.

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It is planned to give a fairly detailed briefing of a single major project at each Council Meeting. DOD would be invited to brief Council on 117L program at November meeting.

5. Transfer of Facilities, Functions, etc. to NASA.

Administrator, NASA, will note transfers to the NASA to date and discuss additional possible transfers and/or working relationships.

6. Determination of Responsible Agency for Development of Million Pound Thrust Clustered Engine.

Discussions are now proceeding in an attempt to resolve this problem. Report will be given on the progress of these discussions.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE COUNCIL

The President, Chairman

The Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles

The Secretary of Defense, Mr. Neil McElroy

The Administrator, National Aeronautics & Space Administration,  
Dr. T. Keith Glennan

The Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission, Mr. John A. McCone

Dr. Alan T. Waterman, Director, National Science Foundation

Dr. Detlev W. Bronk, President, National Academy of Sciences - *in C 3 S R*

Mr. William A. M. Burden, New York City, N. Y.

Dr. James H. Doolittle, San Francisco, California

*Piland*

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Individuals Attending the National Space Council Meeting on 29 October

The President  
Secretary of State  
Acting Secretary of Defense (Mr. Quarles)  
Dr. Glennan, Administrator, National Aeronautics & Space Administration  
Mr. McCone, Chairman, AEC  
Dr. Waterman, Director, NSF  
Mr. William Burden  
Dr. James Doolittle  
Mr. Gordon Gray, Special Assistant to the President  
Dr. James R. Killian  
Mr. Stans, Director, Bureau of the Budget  
Mr. Harr, Special Assistant to the President  
Mr. Roy Johnson, Director, ARPA  
Mr. Philip Farley, Special Assistant to the Secretary of State  
Mr. Loftus Becker  
Mr. Roger Jones, Deputy Director, Bureau of the Budget  
Dr. Hugh Dryden, Deputy Administrator, NASA  
Mr. Neil Carothers, NSF (unable to attend CIA briefing because of  
lack of SI clearance - will attend meeting after CIA briefing)  
Gen. Goodpaster  
Mr. Piland, Secretary, National Space Council  
  
Mr. Allen W. Dulles, Director, CIA  
Dr. Herbert Scoville, Jr., AD/SI, CIA  
[redacted] Chief, Guided Missiles Division/SI, CIA

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE RECORD

Dr. Scoville advised me on 22 October 1958 that he had spoken to Mr. Piland about the arrangements referred to in paragraph 2 and therefore no reply to the attached letter is necessary.

Piland had previously been advised that the Director accompanied by Dr. Scoville would brief the National Aeronautics and Space Council scheduled for 9:00 AM on 29 October.

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